



IN MAY 2021, AT THE 74TH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY, MEMBER STATES ADOPTED THE RESOLUTION WHA74.17 ON ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN THROUGH HEALTH SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING AND MULTISECTORAL APPROACHES

WHY IS THIS RESOLUTION NEEDED?



1 out of 2 children
– or 1 billion children –
suffer some form of
violence each year



Violence has many
immediate & lifelong
consequences on
physical & mental
health, risk-taking
behaviours & overall
quality of life



Violence against women
often co-occurs with
violence against children



Health systems play a
critical role in prevention
& response to violence
against children



Equip health service
providers with the
necessary skills to address
violence against children



Designate a focal point
within Ministries of Health
to ensure coordination



Strengthen implementation
of legislative frameworks
and evidence-based
programmes consistent
with the INSPIRE framework



Prioritize data
collection
& monitoring



Include children, as
appropriate, in advocacy,
policy development & action



Support, in particular, children
in humanitarian settings,
children with disabilities &
others who are vulnerable



Allocate the necessary
budget for national
policies and plans



Enhance international
cooperation

THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF THE
RESOLUTION, 197 **MEMBER
STATES** HAVE COMMITTED,
INTERALIA, TO:



WHO WILL ASSIST MEMBER STATES BY:



Enhancing capacity within WHO's
regional and country offices



Providing technical support to
Ministries of Health



Supporting nationally representative
surveys on violence against children



Documenting progress
in countries



Facilitating
knowledge exchange



Reporting on the implementation
of this Resolution